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THE CASE OF REV. DR. HILLIS.

The Apostle Paul in his first
epistle to Timothy wrote:

They who will be rich fall into tempta-
tion and a snare, and into many
foolish and hurtful lusts, which
drown men in destruction. For the
love of money is the root of all evil;
which while some have coveted after,
they have erred from the faith, and
pierced themselves with many sor-
rows.

Rev. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis,
whose debts amount to about \$100,000
is realizing the truth of this.

He has during the last 10 years,
seen about \$1,850,000 pour in and out
of the various enterprises that he be-
lieved would make him a wealthy
man, but which toppled over, bury-
ing him beneath the wreckage.

He is pastor of the historic Ply-
mouth Congregational Church in
Brooklyn, where Henry Ward
Beecher preached for many years.
In his pulpit yesterday he confessed
to a congregation that wept while he
spoke that he had speculated and
was now on the brink of bankruptcy.

He confessed that he had loved
position too much, and that he had
cherished his own interest while he
neglected "the sick, the poor, the
friendless and the boys and girls of
hungry minds."

Dr. Hillis fervently deplored the ef-
fect that his example might have had
on the minds of young men studying
for the Christian ministry and humbly
confessed that he was ashamed
to state how much he made as a lec-
turer and writer "in view of the little
wages of the working people and the
poor."

Many men strangely suppose signs
of warning are not intended for them,
but for the rank and file of this
world. Solomon in all his glory imagin-
ed that the law of Moses forbidding
the marriage of Israelites and Gen-
tiles, lest the latter turn the hearts
of the chosen people to idols, did
not apply to him, as he was of too
strong a mind to be led astray. He
took unto himself strange women and
the last authentic history we have of
him he was conducting idolatrous
ceremonies surrounded by his thou-
sand wives and concubines, and be-
fore he had reached three score years
he had been gathered to the fathers.

Dr. Hillis has time to redeem him-
self and he announces his purpose to
keep in the straight and narrow path
in future. We hope he may.

"RECONCILIATION CHAMBER"

Judge Wood, sitting in Divorce
Court in Los Angeles, during the ab-
sence of Judge Monroe, has institu-
ted what is termed a "reconciliation
chamber," where disgruntled couples
are sent to see if they can't patch
up their differences. It is proving a
great success.

Judge Wood is a wise man in his
day and generation. If judges of
courts in other places would adopt his
tactics there would be a diminution
in the number of divorces. Compara-
tively few young married couples go
long without having disagreements.
They generally originate over trifles
and if each could be made to realize
that a quarrel between man and wife
should be viewed through Pickwickian
spectacles, they would soon kiss and
make up.

But the divorce court with its wide-
open door confronts the piqued wo-
man or man (whichever has the least
sense of the two) and a break is
made for a lawyer. The result is
known.

Two score or more years ago a
young married woman accompanied
by her mother appeared in the Mayor's
office in this city. The mother acted
as spokeswoman. It was the same old
story—the young wife had found it
impossible to live any longer with
the man she had promised to love and
obey. They Mayor, after listening to
the troubles, found they were similar
to the jars which occur in the best
regulated families, and told the
mother of the young woman to let the
couple alone and urge upon them the
necessity of becoming reconciled as
soon as possible and to avoid a di-

vorice suit. The elderly woman looked
grave and stopped talking, while the
young wife sat with downcast eyes.
The couple subsequently left, not,
apparently, satisfied with the recep-
tion given them by the Mayor. The
latter's advice, however, was adopt-
ed and the couple have since been
happy as they should have been from
the first without any gaps in their
honeymoon.

COFFINS FOR DRUNKARDS

A "wooden kimono" on a "nightcap" is the shortest route back to the
"straight and narrow," according to
Mayor William Riddle of Atlantic
City. He's so sure of his "system" that
he has different coffin builders so that
he may select the material from which
his "kimono" is to be fashioned. The
Mayor expects to make a selection
and have his box ready for occu-
pancy when he oversteps the bounds
by the first of October. The Mayor
says:

"When a fellow gets out with the
boys and kind of gets by his limit he
should have something to remind him,
aside from a headache and a flannel
tongue, the next morning, I'm going
to have this coffin made and placed in
my apartment. When I get home after
1 o'clock in the morning from some
banquet or the like it will be my sleep-
ing place. As a remorse engenderer
the coffin should be the real stuff the
next morning."

The play "Lucretia Borgia" has
long since given place upon the stage
to more frivolous productions in or-
der to meet the tastes of the present
age. The above will bring to the
minds of those now living who wit-
nessed this production in "John Price's
Theatre," northwest corner of King
and Royal streets, many years ago.

Lucretia Borgia invited a number of
young men to whom she was resentful
to her home in Venice. They unsus-
pectingly drank of poisoned wine.
She had coffins prepared for all with
their names upon them, and at the
close of the entertainment her at-
tendants conducted each to his last
abode and tucked him in.

THE LAND OF THE KNOT.

One of the many means resorted to
by Germans to incense people against
Russia was the fact the knot is used
in the realms of the Czar against cer-
tain offenders. The civilized world
has for many years protested against
this cruel means of correction, and it
is about to pass away in the light of
the twentieth century. The Germans
however, with their "culture" are
charged with using the same instru-
ment in the war now in progress. Ac-
cording to Paul Capellani, the French
actor, German officers carry these
"weapons of torture in order to force
their soldiers from the trenches. Men
bearing the marks of the knots have
been captured and examined by the
allies. Such have always rejoiced in
being captured by the enemies of the
Fatherland."

FRANCE AND RELIGION

While such individuals as Marat,
Robespierre and Danton were at the
helm of state in France the words
"Death is an eternal sleep" appeared
on the gates of Paris. The young and
beautiful wife of a printer was borne
in a sedan chair to the Church of
Notre Dame, placed upon the altar
and hailed as the Goddess of Reason.
Sunday and other holy days were
abolished and all religious ceremoni-
es brought to a close.

It is not so now. War has taken
France back to religion, and atheism is
vanishing. The French people read-
ing their Bibles closely and looking
for help from on high at a time when
the Kaiser is proclaiming God is with
him.

NEWS OF THE DAY

Mrs. Maldwin Drummond, who was
the widow of Marshall Field, Jr., died
in her Hampshire, England, home,
yesterday.

A report in current is that adver-
saries of the government, aided by
the republican opposition, intend to
try to start a revolt in Lisbon.

The Passaic, N. J., Public Library
trustees have excluded the Father-
land the pro-German weekly pub-
lished in New York, from the files in the
libraries.

Edgar Duvall, 18 years old, son
of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Duvall, of Glen
Burnie, Anne Arundel county, Md.,
was accidentally killed yesterday af-
ternoon, when playing with a pistol.

A violent earthquake shock, shook
Spleto, 60 miles northeast of Rome,
yesterday. Shocks were felt also at
Cosenza, in Calabria, causing panic
among the inhabitants.

Senora Luz Aspiroz de Rivera,
well known in Washington when her
father was Minister from Mexico,
committed suicide yesterday in Mexi-
co City by taking laudanum. Her
father had a prominent part in the
court-martial which condemned Maxi-
milian to death.

Before he could carry out a threat
to kill his wife, several members of
his family and himself, Garnet Nolan,
34, a prominent planter residing 20
miles south of Yazoo City, Miss., was
shot and instantly killed by his sis-
ter-in-law, Mrs. R. D. Strong, at his
home late Saturday night.

William E. Mooney, a farmer who
never wore shoes except in winter,
died Saturday night at his home, m
Union, N. J., at the age of ninety-
two. He ascribed his longevity to his
custom of going about in his bare feet.
Mooney's death was due to injury
on Labor Day, when he fell and frac-
tured his right hip.

Ninety persons were killed in the
wreck of a military train near Salti-
jo, Mexico, Wednesday. The train
carried a large body of Carranza
troops and left the track at a point
near a canyon, precipitating two
coaches with their occupants to the
rocks below. Soldiers, women camp
followers and children were ground
to pieces in the derbis.

The proposed mammoth loan to
Great Britain and France, it was re-
ported last night, is to be underwrit-
ten by a large syndicate of Ameri-
can financiers and bankers, who are
to receive a commission for their ser-
vices. The securities offered, it was
said, will be British and French 5
per cent. government bonds, and the
price to the investor is to be par.

Ankedycke, the historic mansion
at Wraybury, England in whose
grounds King Henry VIII. wooed An-
ne Boleyn, was destroyed yesterday
by fire. The house was built around
the ruins of one of the most famous
prieories of the Middle Ages, found-
ed in the reign of Henry II. Adjoin-
ing the property is Runnymede Mea-
dow, where the barons forced King
John to grant the Magna Charta.

Capt. Philip M. Lydig, who arrived
in Paris from London for a week's
stay during which he hopes to visit
the French front, said that although
he had left Russia six weeks ago, he
could, nevertheless vouchsafe for the
seriousness of the holy war under
Czar Nicholas. Capt. Lydig said that
"courtesy as well as incompetence"
prevented him from commenting up-
on the Russian military situation.

Herr von Jagow, the German for-
eign minister, in an interview to the
representative of a news agency, ex-
pressed confidence that through the
instructions given to German subma-
rine commanders and the precautions
now being taken, the possibilities of
"further incidents in connection with
German submarine activity, which
might disturb the relations between
the United States and Germany vir-
tually had been eliminated.

Paul Maroni, Vincenzo Borrelli
and Giovanna Verugino, laborers in
Keystone quarries, below Port De-
posit, Md., were drowned Saturday
night in the Susquehanna river at
the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad
bridge. The three and another man
had been cruising around the Ches-
apeake Bay all day in a motorboat.
They were within sight of home, east
of Garrett Island, when they struck
a submerged rock and the boat was
literally torn to pieces. The fourth
member of the party reached shore.

The flat statement that rebellion
would follow any action by the Pan-
American powers to recognize the
Carranza Government was made yester-
day by Francisco Urquidí, Consul
for Villa. "Such action would
mean the strengthening of the forces
of General Villa," said Senor Urquidí.
"It would immediately be followed
by a revolution against Carranza
so strong that the recognized Gov-
ernment's position would be unten-
able."

Leroy H. Bauer, of Kensington
near Philadelphia, has brought suit
for \$1,000 damages against Mrs.
Florence Moyer for breach of pro-
mise to wed him. Bauer says he be-
came acquainted with the young wo-
man in December, 1913, when she was
Miss Nutt and not Mrs. Moyer, and
after courting her for five months
proposed marriage and was accepted.
He declares that he gave his pro-
spective bride a wedding ring and
spent much money in taking her to
places of amusement.

A young woman, describing her-
self as Mrs. Nina Jackson, of Wash-
ington, and believed by the police to
be Miss Nina Cooch, governess in a

Chevy Chase family, is a patient in
the Medico Hospital, Philadelphia, a
victim of bichloride poisoning. She
declares that she was poisoned by a
well-dressed woman whom she met
while waiting for a train in Broad
street station, and who, after she
said she was suffering from a head-
ache, gave her a tablet to relieve it.
Then the woman disappeared. The
police think Mrs. Jackson attempted
suicide.

The administration regards with
high displeasure the letter of Dr.
Dumba, the Austro-Hungarian Am-
bassador, to Secretary of State Lan-
sing, in which the Ambassador in at-
tempting to explain the Archibald
incident, makes implied charges that
the United States has shown favori-
tism to the allies as against Germany
and Austria. It is understood, however,
that no further action in the Am-
bassador's case is contemplated, as
this government considers his case
already completely disposed of by the
fact that his departure from this
country, never to return as Amba-
sador, is absolutely certain.

As the result of a desperate fight
with knives and beer bottles among
a crowd of men and women at the
Hill Top House, in the western part
of Martinsburg, W. Va., Saturday
evening, George W. Brown, a travel-
ing salesman from Philadelphia, and
"Dick" Shaw, of Martinsburg, are in
the City Hospital with dangerous
wounds about their heads and faces.
Samuel Beard, is in jail with lesser
injuries and May Kreamer and Cora
Smith and a man named Kinney also
are in jail for taking part in the
fight. Shaw's jaw was fractured and
he is unconscious. It is said that the
men and women secured a large quan-
tity of beer and whisky Saturday
night from Hagerstown and held an
orgy.

Lieut. McAuliffe, of Inspector Ryan's
staff and a squad of detectives Sat-
urday arrested twenty-nine kneeling
men in the basement of a brown
stone dwelling in 128th street near
Seventh avenue, New York, on ac-
cusations of disorderly conduct.
Though the men were murmuring
prayers when detectives entered, the
latter said that they found racing
charts and other gambling parapher-
alia. Mrs. Gordon, who conducted the
place as a boarding house, said that
one of the men rented the basement
Friday saying that the others wished
to hold religious services on Yom
Kippur. They aroused suspicion by
installing a telephone. Lieut. McAu-
liffe tapped the wire and said that he
heard racing results being called on
it.

VIRGINIA NEWS

Several persons near Christians-
burg, were struck by lightning and
some property damage was done by
a severe storm Saturday night.

In a shooting affray at Hopewell,
late last night, two men were killed
and a third wounded, according to a
report received in Richmond early
yesterday morning. The shooting
was done by one man, it is reported.

The Pocahontas Distillery, owned
by J. W. Phillips & Co., of Peters-
burg, was completely destroyed by
fire of undetermined origin, which
broke out Saturday night. The loss is
estimated at about \$15,000, partially
insured.

After being out two hours Satur-
day night, the jury in the case of
former Police Lieutenant John A.
Porter, of Hopewell, reported that it
was hopelessly divided. Judge Jesse
West, presiding at the trial, dis-
charged them at midnight, and set
Porter under \$5,000 bail for his ap-
pearance Tuesday to which date court
was adjourned.

John G. Lewis was accidentally
shot Saturday night by E. M. Marsh-
hall and died an hour later in the
Petersburg Hospital. The two men
were friends and had been practis-
ing with a pistol. It was while Mr.
Marshall was handling the weapon
that it was accidentally discharged,
the ball penetrating the stomach of
Lewis and inflicting a fatal wound.

Temperance leaders of Virginia have
proposed a novel plan to enforce
state-wide prohibition in that State
when it becomes effective in 1916. The
plan embraces the creation by the
General Assembly of a superintendent
of prohibition, whose duty it shall
be to enforce the temperance laws,
make investigation of its violations
and assist the legal authorities in
prosecutions.

Dr. Edwin A. Alderman, president
of the University of Virginia, has re-
turned from Castine, Maine, where
he spent the summer. The nineteenth
session of the university opened of-

ficially last Thursday, although the
lectures did not begin until today.
To date there are 227 first-year men
registered, together with 224 stud-
ents of previous years. Forty stud-
ents have registered in the graduate
department.

Major William H. Sands has
thrown down the gauntlet to the
State Advisory Board on Taxation by
serving notice that if the Henrico
County Local Board of Review refus-
es to go into the matter of omitted
tax assessments at the meeting to be
held by the board in his office today,
he will apply for the removal of each
and every member on the ground of
misfeasance and failure to comply
with their oaths of office.

Captain Carlton McCarthy, com-
missioner and former Mayor of Rich-
mond, was fined \$25 in Police Court
Saturday and bonded in the sum of
\$300 for twelve months for assault-
ing Ray Lewis, City Hall reported for
the News Leader. Though urged by
friends to appeal the captain finally
decided to pay the fine. His defense
was that he had a right to exclude
from the offices of the Administrative
Board a man who had persistently and
willfully slandered him in the press
for the past six months or more.

The State of Virginia will pay any-
where from 25 to 50 per cent. more
for her printing the coming year than
she did last year. Such is the indica-
tion from the bids which are now in
the hands of Public Printer Bottom,
and which he is now engaged in tab-
ulating in order to make the awards.
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—annual reports, circulars, bills for
the Legislature, all sorts of blank
forms, rule and figure work, statis-
tical work, letter heads, envelopes,
land books and all sorts of printing.

John Hodgins, a convict on the Al-
bemarle township chain-gang, shot
and instantly killed Assistant Superin-
tendent J. C. Freeman, Saturday. The
trouble took place on the Mount Plea-
sant road, about one-half mile west
of Albemarle. Mr. Freeman had gone
near to where five convicts were at
work on a bridge and was showing
them how to do a certain work. While
near Hodgins he turned his back and
Hodgins snatched his pistol. As he
snatched the weapon he fell backward
Freeman sprang upon him to take
the pistol, and Hodgins fired two shots
the second taking effect just below
the shoulder blade and passing
through the heart. The negro held off
the other convicts with the pistol until
he could make his escape.

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